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## Minister can't rule out more fuel shortages

### ENERGY

**Regulating the  
industry may  
be an option,  
Furey says**



**Zane  
Woodford**  
Metro | Halifax

Nova Scotia's business minister said Monday his government will be working with the gasoline industry to make sure another fuel shortage won't happen, but he couldn't guarantee it.

"This is an anomaly in the industry," said Mark Furey. "This is the first time Nova Scotia has experienced this type of fuel shortage."

Furey wouldn't put a value on the economic impact of

the shortage, but said he adjusted his travel plans over the weekend, and many people he's spoken to have done the same.

Furey said his government will be talking to industry about why this happened, but couldn't say for sure that something like this won't be repeated.

"I suppose anything is possible," he said. "I think the industry certainly will learn from these circumstances."

Furey said if it becomes clear through his discussions that the industry hasn't learned from this shortage, regulation would be an option.

"We'll look at whatever opportunity we have to ensure Nova Scotians have a fuel supply," he said.



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# Parks get 'overdue' upgrades

## RECREATION

### Province commits \$338k to repair four local beaches



**Haley Ryan**  
Metro | Halifax

Four parks along the Eastern Shore are getting upgrades to boardwalks and buildings that one surf instructor says are long "overdue."

Natural Resources Minister Lloyd Hines announced \$338,000 in provincial money for maintenance and infrastructure repair at Lawrencetown and Conrods beaches, as well as Clam Harbour Beach and Porters Lake provincial parks on Monday.

"We just were able to shake that money loose to be able to do the planning," Hines told reporters after the event at Lawrencetown Beach Provincial Park.

"This time of the year doing this kind of work is a good time to do it."

The boardwalk at Conrods has been broken and taped off for months, and on Monday families could be seen carefully walking through the grass around the broken boards to get to the beach.

Hines said the funds help replace the old boardwalk and



People walk toward the shoreline at Lawrencetown, which will get improvements including a water system, shower, washroom and canteen. JEFF HARPER/METRO

bridge at Conrods, and will go toward a new set of stairs and access gate.

Clam Harbour will get an upgrade to its wheelchair ramps, while Porters Lake will see renovated washrooms and showers, an updated water distribution system to camping areas and lighting at the park entrance.

The main building will also

be repaired and painted.

Lawrencetown Beach will get upgrades to the water system, shower and washroom, and canteen.

Nico Manos, owner of the East Coast Surf School, said the upgrades are good for both locals who use the beach regularly, and tourists who will hopefully leave with a better impression after visiting for the day.

"It's overdue," Manos said after the event Monday.

Although he's at the beach every day teaching lessons in the summer, Manos said he avoids using the facilities thanks to "visibly brown" water coming out of the taps.

"It's nice to complete that experience with a clean shower, or not having to hop over a hole in the boardwalk to get out of the park," Manos said.

When asked how the announcement fits into the recent closure of visitor's centres the government said would save \$1 million, Hines said there are "things you hold back on" to shift spending around.

"This reinjection is taking a pause to see where we need to go and putting the money back into something that's important to the people," Hines said.

Work at Porters Lake has begun and the other projects will begin once the tenders are in.



The old boardwalk to Conrods Beach will be renovated, while new stairs and an access gate will also be built. JEFF HARPER/METRO

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Natural Resources Minister Lloyd Hines



Work on the Nova Centre project has been ongoing in Halifax all year. JEFF HARPER/METRO

## SMALL BUSINESS

# Advocates ask city for construction mitigation

An advocate organization for small business is once again calling on Halifax's top city brass to adopt a construction mitigation policy.

On Monday the Canadian Federation of Independent Business issued a release directed at Halifax Regional Council and Mayor Mike Savage, outlining the need for such a policy in light of the long-term infra-

structure renewal work happening around the city.

"While infrastructure renewal is necessary and provides great benefits for a community, there can be unintended consequences," wrote Nick Langley, the federation's director of provincial affairs in Nova Scotia.

"Construction projects create anxiety, turmoil, and loss for

business owners. It's particularly harmful for those who are operating on thin margins."

The release points to the grief business owners feel during the summer months because many of their customers cannot access their operations due to street closures and heavy construction.

"Many small business depend upon the summer season

to maximize their revenues, which coincides with the construction season," Monday's release reads.

The federation said it has been asking the city to adopt a construction mitigation policy for more than a year, slamming a report on construction mitigation that came before the Transportation Standing Committee in June. METRO



## MURDER INVESTIGATION

## Police close search of property in Truro



**Stephanie Taylor**  
Metro | Halifax

Investigators have wrapped up the search of a property in the Truro area in connection to the slaying of a Dalhousie University student.

Halifax police issued a release Monday, announcing the search that began on Aug. 25 of a property in Lower Truro had concluded, with the remains of Taylor Samson still undiscovered.

A police spokeswoman said the search "wasn't in vain" and in the nearly week-long scour of the property managed to find "several items of possible inter-

est," which are believed to be connected to Samson's death.

"We will continue to pursue other investigative avenues with the hope that we can locate Taylor Samson's remains," Theresa Rath said Monday.

Last Saturday, investigators expanded their search to cover property off Marshland Drive in Truro, with that search coming to a close on Monday around 2:15 p.m.

Rath said there was a reassessment of the search at the end of each day, and as of Sunday night and again Monday, investigators determined that an extensive search of the property had been done.

She said to her knowledge there are currently no other scenes under hold.

"That said, we do that to pursue all avenues of investigation," Rath explained, saying tips are continuing to come in from the public, and if information came to light that warranted another search it wouldn't be ruled out.

William Sandeson, also a 22-year-old Dalhousie student, remains in police custody on a charge of first-degree murder in Samson's death.



**22-year-old murder victim Taylor Samson.** CONTRIBUTED

## TRAUMA

## Woman seriously injured in stabbing

A 24-year-old woman remains in serious but stable condition in hospital after being stabbed multiple times in north-end Halifax on Sunday night.

Police say the victim was found inside a residence in the 3000 block of Windsor Street around 11:30 p.m. suffering from more than one stab wound.

Officers contained the area, and with the help of a K9 team, located a 19-year-

old man and a 20-year-old woman in the 300 block of Robie Street.

Police say the victim and the two suspects are known to each other, and this was not a random act.

Both the man and woman were questioned and taken into custody in relation to the stabbing.

Police couldn't say Monday if charges were expected.

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**Leo Salloum, left, and Craig MacDonald are organizing an alumni event complete with a barbecue, basketball game and evening dance to commemorate the long-shuttered secondary institution in Halifax.** JEFF HARPER/METRO

# 'Final farewell' for St. Pat's High School

## CELEBRATION

## Alumni, staff invited to last reunion party in October



**Stephanie Taylor**  
Metro | Halifax

When a tree fell on the roof of Craig MacDonald's old high school in March, the wreckage from the collapsed building left him shocked.

"That's where my locker was and that's where my old global geography class was with Mr. Lang," the 36-year-old recalled Monday.

Shortly after, the fate of long-shuttered St. Patrick's

High School began to sink in for the class of '97 alumnus.

Every day he drives past the former Quinpool Road school has brought a growing sadness, as crews work to tear down the building, which has subsequently loosened many of MacDonald's own high school memories.

"To see it slowly, piece by piece, come down, it's just surreal," he said.

To bid his alma mater a final goodbye, he and former classmate Leo Salloum decided to organize one last high school reunion, inviting all former students who

attended from 1954 to 2007.

The idea came to the pair six months ago, Mac-

Donald said, but it wasn't until after airing the idea on social media that he realized he wasn't alone in wanting to don the school's classic green and yellow colours one last time.

"It spread like wildfire," he said.

The St. Pat's alumni final farewell Facebook page boasts several hundred attendees, with one former student planning to fly in from Melbourne, Australia, MacDonald said.

The reunion is scheduled to take place over Thanksgiving weekend on Saturday, Oct. 10 at Citadel High School.

There will be a meet-and-greet, BBQ, alumni basketball game and, of course, a dance in the evening.

"It's the final farewell," MacDonald said, anticipating the tone of the event to feel bittersweet.

"Everybody probably has their different ways they think about St. Pat's, but we all have one thing: we all have our Irish pride."

**“To see it slowly, piece by piece, come down, it's just surreal.”**  
Craig MacDonald

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# Retailers will be hurt by N.S. gas shortage: Expert

## REGULATION

### Situation linked to two rejected tankers



**Haley Ryan**  
Metro | Halifax

An industry expert said this weekend's gasoline shortage could be "catastrophic" to smaller businesses, while retailers are worried it could happen again.

Drivers saw long lines at the pump or blocked stations from Saturday through Monday in Nova Scotia, after a marine delivery of gasoline was late, but some in the Halifax region had been resupplied by Monday afternoon.

Dave Collins, vice-president of Wilson Fuel Co., said the delay happened when both a tanker from the United States and one from Europe were determined to be "off spec" and have gas unfit for sale, so a third tanker was brought in Saturday.

"Your engine probably doesn't know any different, but Environment Canada has very strict regulations," Collins said.

Wade Sullivan, owner of the Fas Gas outlet in New Glasgow, linked the shortage to the conversion of an Imperial Oil refinery in Halifax to a tank farm at the end of 2013, meaning retail-



Motorists line up at the pump Monday at the Esso on Robie and Young Streets in Halifax. JEFF HARPER/METRO



**The regulations are set and they're very rigid.**

Dave Collins, vice-president of Wilson Fuel Co.

ers rely heavily on shipments of refined gasoline being brought in by sea.

"If the ship shows on time, with product on time, that's it. If it doesn't, then we're in a situation like this," Sullivan said.

Halifax Regional Municipality stations should return to regular capacity by Tuesday afternoon or Wednesday at the

latest, Collins said, followed by larger towns such as Bridgewater, Truro and New Glasgow.

The plan is to get as much gas out as fast as possible to the most consumers, Collins said, which means larger sites that can take a full truckload are done first.

Although Collins said a gas shortage like this could happen

again, the industry would also like to avoid one any time soon since "functionally this put us out of business."

"Will it be catastrophic for some outlets? Probably. Will it be an inconvenience for others, yes," Collins said. "It'll be felt. There will be natural consequences for this one."

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## EMERGENCY SERVICES EHS still on road

Despite ongoing fuel shortages in some areas of Nova Scotia, there have been no "operational compromises" for the province's fleet of ambulances and EHS support vehicles, says a spokeswoman.

Jean Spicer, manager of corporate communications for EHS operations, said they became aware of the gas shortage situation on Friday evening and began taking steps immediately.

First, all active units were fully gassed up.

Paramedics were also informed what stations had fuel throughout the weekend so they could keep ambulance gas tanks full.

Support staff also filled up off-duty units to supplant ambulances that were running dry. There were also anecdotal reports of paramedics filling up large gas jugs at the stations that had fuel on the weekend.

"We've worked as a team," said Spicer on Monday.

She said EHS paramedics and staff would continue to work around the shortages but hoped that the gas supply issues would be worked out soon.

Many communities in Nova Scotia were reporting empty tanks on Monday morning and although some stations were expecting to receive gasoline shipments to arrive later in the day with the increased demand, some didn't expect stocks to last long before their tanks were empty again.

The late arrival of two tankers in Dartmouth is being blamed for the shortages.

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## IN BRIEF

### Man airlifted to Halifax hospital after crash

An unidentified man was airlifted to hospital in Halifax just before noon on Monday following a collision between a motorcycle and a car on Truro Heights Road.

Few details of the crash were immediately available.

An RCMP officer at the scene described the man's conditions as serious.

The driver of the car was not injured.

Based on evidence at the scene, it appeared that the crash occurred while the car was making a left turn into a driveway in the 600 block and cut in front of the oncoming motorcycle.

The incident occurred on the upper end of Truro Heights Road at about 11 a.m. TRURO DAILY NEWS

### Police looking for man who exposed himself

RCMP are asking for the public's help in finding the man responsible for two indecent acts in the Halifax area.

Around 7:15 a.m. Sunday, Halifax District RCMP said they received two separate reports about an indecent act that happened on a walking path in Timberlea near Exit 3 on Highway 103.

Police say a man, who is described as white, 30 years old and "heavy-set" with a large belly, was exposing himself on the trail while wearing a grey hoodie and red or orange baseball cap.

This incident is similar to another indecent act that was reported to police on June 11 in Lakeside, said the RCMP.

The suspect's description was similar in both cases.

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### New recruits wanted

The RCMP is looking for new recruits for its Stetsons and Spurs program.

The program is made up of kids in grades 7 to 12 who work with police to make their communities safer, and learn how to become police officers in the RCMP.

There are programs in Cole Harbour, Preston and Lower Sackville.

Registration is Thursday night at 6 p.m. at the Cole Harbour and Preston RCMP detachments, and next Wednesday, Sept. 9 at 7 p.m. at the Lower Sackville detachment.

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# Envisioning Greener pastures

## FEDERAL ELECTION

### Party leader made first stop of national tour Monday



**Stephanie Taylor**  
Metro | Halifax

The leader of the federal Green party kicked off her national campaign tour Monday evening with her first stop in Halifax, exuding confidence that a green breakthrough is possible in Nova Scotia.

Elizabeth May was greeted by a crowd of more than 250 cheering supporters as she walked her way across a room in the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic to a podium, where she tried to inspire people's imagination and future ballot casting with her party's platform.

"In this campaign, I like to think that what the Green party is offering are the big ideas," is how May began her nearly 15-minute speech.



**Elizabeth May speaks to the crowd at the Maritime Museum of the Atlantic during a rally Monday night in Halifax.** JEFF HARPER/METRO

From introducing a guaranteed liveable income to eradicating poverty in Canada and calling for a national housing strategy, to developing policies that promote green energy and

making PharmaCare nationwide, May spoke of a country where party lines have been crossed and student debt is considered a national crisis.

When it came to the lo-

cal economy, May said more investment should be made in municipal infrastructure, schools and hospitals, to make buildings more energy-efficient. That, in addition to



**I really think you need to vote for what you want, what inspires you, what you believe in and let democracy work.**

Elizabeth May

bringing in more public transit and fixing outstanding issues in areas such as water works, for as much as \$6.4 billion in extra infrastructure funding.

During Monday's rally, May also applauded the province for its investment in tidal energy.

"We've shown that in the Maritimes, Green candidates are electable," May answered when asked how likely a Green breakthrough is in the province.

"I really think you need to vote for what you want, what inspires you, what you believe in and let democracy work."

After taking questions from reporters, May answered a number of audience questions that ranged from the party's position on mental health funding to alleviating student debt.

Mary Helens Skowronski

and her family were just a handful of the hundreds that attended the downtown Halifax gathering, afterwards saying she found May's words inspiring.

Not only does she support the party's stance on the environment, but also its policies in regards to poverty and standards of living, she said.

"These are all things that resonate with myself and I think everyone should be thinking about."

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## SCREEN NOVA SCOTIA

# Film industry stops pushing for reversal of tax decision

The group that represents Nova Scotia's film industry says it has given up trying to persuade the province to reverse its decision to scrap a key film tax credit.

Marc Almon, chairman of Screen Nova Scotia, emerged from an emergency meeting Monday with Business Minister Mark Furey to say the industry accepts that a new, \$10-million film incentive fund will remain in place even though the industry is shrinking now that the \$24-million tax credit is gone.

Last week, Screen Nova Scotia demanded an emergency meeting with Premier Stephen McNeil after two production services companies announced they would be closing their operations in the province.

McNeil rejected the request before he headed to China on Saturday for a trade mission, saying the incentive fund would remain in place and Furey would be meeting with Screen Nova Scotia.

After Monday's meeting, Almon said the talks were productive, but declined to say what potential solutions



**Actor John Dunsworth yells during a rally outside Province House in support of the Nova Scotia Film Industry in April. METRO FILE**

the industry group presented to Furey, who agreed to meet with the group again within the next four weeks.

Almon said the biggest issue facing the industry is a lack of business confidence.

He said Furey asked plenty of questions and was open to the industry's suggestions for change.

"The fact remains that we don't have much production here and we're in danger of losing our people, our infrastructure, our resources," Almon said after the meeting. "That is a very serious

concern."

However, Almon confirmed that his group has accepted that the film tax credit won't be revived.

"We're not looking to have that returned," he said. "We're trying to move forward."

Furey said it was disappointing to learn the two production supply companies were shutting down, but he insisted there are plenty of competing firms in Nova Scotia and in other provinces that can supply the industry. However, he rejected the idea that there has been a loss of business confidence.

"The important thing is to recognize that there's opportunity going forward," he said.

Furey declined to say what changes were discussed at the meeting, though he made it clear he was eager to continue talking with the industry.

"What's important here is that we collectively change the discussion and demonstrate that there is an opportunity for a film industry in Nova Scotia and we have the opportunity to attract those businesses."

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**Team Canada Captain Mike Weir tees off at the Ashburn club during the start of the this year's RBC Canada Cup. Government workers were guests at the event. JEFF HARPER/METRO**

# Officials get perks in sponsorship deal

## POLITICS

## Free tickets, food, booze all part of golf tournaments



**Zane Woodford**  
Metro | Halifax

Provincial and municipal government employees received free tickets, golf rounds, food and booze as part of their sponsorship of the 2014 RBC Canada Cup and Nova Scotia Open Golf tournaments, according to documents obtained by the Canadian Taxpayers Federation.

The national lobby group obtained the documents through Freedom of Information legislation.

The documents released Monday show that a \$300,000 deal for "host region" sponsorship between Nova Scotia Business Inc., the Nova Scotia

Tourism Agency and Sportbox, the company representing the Web.com golf tour, included 375 tickets to the events for government officials, 10 spots to play in the Pro-Am tournament, speaking arrangements, and invitations to parties and the VIP area.

On top of that money, government officials in the VIP area spent \$22,805.49 on food and drinks.

"It's hard to see how taxpayers benefited from shelling out to allow government staff and workers and their guests to hobnob with one another at the golf tournament," CTF Atlantic director Kevin Lacey

said Monday.

"Taxpayers are paying high taxes into our government, and then our government is taking that money and blowing it."

An emailed statement from Tourism Nova Scotia said Monday, "such hospitality components are common for these types of networking opportunities," and "alcoholic beverages accounted for less than five per cent of the overall hospitality cost."

The city of Halifax contributed \$300,000 of its own for the event, with similar conditions to the province's deal.

The city had four spots in the Pro-Am — one each for Mayor Savage, Coun. Linda Mosher and two guests — as well as invitations to parties, 100 tickets to the event and a VIP tent.

The federation said the Greater Halifax Business Partnership, which is partially taxpayer-funded, though not subject to Freedom of Information laws, was responsible for the city's VIP tent.

**This is an outrageous abuse of taxpayers' money.**

Progressive Conservative Leader Jamie Baillie

## INVESTIGATION

# Hooks found in toilet paper

The next time you go to grab the TP in a public washroom — watch out.

Halifax Regional Police are warning the public that two fish hooks were recently found inside a toilet paper roll in a men's room stall at the Metro Transit bridge terminal on 24 Nantucket Avenue in Dartmouth.

A man found the fish hooks in the men's room at about 5 p.m. on Saturday, then turning them over to a security officer, who told his supervisor, who subsequently called police.

Nobody was hurt by the fish hooks, a news release issued Monday afternoon said.

The toilet paper tamper-

ing incident "appears to be isolated," police said, adding anyone who finds any foreign metal objects in a similar situation to refrain from throwing the roll out and instead contact them at 902-490-5016 so the items can be passed on to investigators.

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## ANNAPOLIS COUNTY

### Police search for suspect after shot fired at truck

Police in Nova Scotia searched for a suspect on Monday afternoon in a remote area of Annapolis County after a gunshot was fired into a dump truck in

Victoria Beach.

The RCMP say there was no perceived threat to the public, but they asked people to avoid the areas of Victoria Beach, Port Wade, Hillsburn and Delaps Cove.

The Mounties say no one

was injured in the incident involving the dump truck, which happened at about 10:15 a.m.

Police say the truck was fired at from a dark-coloured vehicle.

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# NDP cares: Mulcair

ELECTION 2015

## Leader unveils \$40M plan to curb violence against women

NDP Leader Thomas Mulcair unveiled \$40 million in new measures Monday aimed at curbing violence against women as he promised to undo what he called an “underlying attitude of racism” that he says has prevented a national inquiry into violence against aboriginal women.

Mulcair made his pitch in Saskatchewan, a province with one of the highest rates of violence against women, where he said he would repair the federal government’s relationship with indigenous women.

“Now, I say this to every mother, to every daughter, to every sister, that it’s time you had a prime minister who cares,” Mulcair said in Saskatoon.

Mulcair committed to restore a shelter-enhancement program scrapped by the Conservative government, saying it would have sufficient funding to ensure no woman in need is turned away from a shelter.

“In April 2014, on just one night, 338 women and 201 children fleeing violence were turned away from shelters because there weren’t enough spaces,” he said.

“That’s unacceptable in a country like Canada.”

He also vowed to work with women’s groups, indigenous peoples, communities and or-



Tom Mulcair, left, looks on as First Nations drummers perform in Saskatoon, Sask., on Monday.

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### WHERE THE LEADERS ARE TUESDAY

• **Stephen Harper** will be in Burlington and Sault Ste. Marie, Ont.

• **Justin Trudeau** will be in Gatineau and Laval, Que.

• **Tom Mulcair** will be in Kelowna, Vernon and Kamloops, B.C.

• **Elizabeth May** will be in Halifax and Charlottetown.

ganizations to create a national action plan to end violence against women and girls, with dedicated funding and benchmarks for progress.

That’s on top of Mulcair’s previous commitment to call an inquiry into the nearly 1,200

aboriginal women who have vanished or been murdered since 1980. He said he would launch the inquiry within his first 100 days in office.

“If there still hasn’t been an inquiry today, to this date, on murdered and missing in-

igenous women in Canada, it’s because of an underlying attitude of racism,” he later added. “We’re going to change that attitude.”

Campaigning in Ottawa, Conservative Leader Stephen Harper said his government has implemented a series of initiatives to improve safety for aboriginal women, including giving police more investigative tools and providing more money for prevention services.

“We also brought in a series of criminal justice reforms to make sure there are serious penalties for those who commit violence against women, obviously commit violence more generally,” Harper said.

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ELECTION 2015

## Tories a no-show for meeting — again



**Michael Woods**  
Metro | Ottawa

After no Conservative candidates showed up to a meeting with Ottawa’s mayor last week, nearly all of them skipped the do-over Monday morning — opting instead to attend a Stephen Harper rally a few blocks away.

Only two of nine local Conservative candidates — Dev Balkissoon and Pierre Poilievre — showed up to the mayor’s office for the rescheduled meeting.

“It’s a very busy time on the campaign trail. I was happy to be able to make it here today,” Poilievre said after the meeting when asked about his colleagues’ absence.

“I think some of them were with the prime minister today, and understandably so.”

Mayor Jim Watson has invited candidates from all par-

ties to meetings about matters important to the city, such as economic development, transit and affordable housing. All local Green and Liberal candidates attended their briefings, while the NDP’s is scheduled for Thursday.

The Conservative meeting had been rescheduled to Monday morning after no Tory candidates showed for the original meeting last Tuesday. Poilievre told Watson at the time that there was confusion about the date.

Poilievre’s office suggested Monday as a reschedule date, and the mayor’s office agreed.

“It’s a very busy time on the campaign trail.”

Pierre Poilievre

son would have liked to have seen more candidates in attendance to learn about these important issues but he recognizes that time is

short in a campaign and there is always competition for a candidate’s time,” the mayor’s spokesman, Brook Simpson, said in a statement.



Stephen Harper with Toronto Blue Jays manager John Gibbons in Toronto Monday. ADRIAN WYLD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

EGYPT

## Ottawa seeks pardon for Fahmy

Ottawa has formally asked Egypt’s president to pardon imprisoned journalist Mohamed Fahmy or allow his deportation to Canada, his wife said Monday as she implored Prime Minister Stephen Harper to secure her husband’s release.

The development comes after an Egyptian court sentenced Fahmy to three years in prison on Saturday — a verdict that shocked his family and led many international observers to call for his release.

“Nobody understands how this happened,” his wife Marwa Omara told The Canadian Press from Cairo. “I just hope the Canadian government gets Mohamed out from here.”

It’s the second time Fahmy has landed behind bars in the same case. He was originally arrested in December 2013 with

two colleagues while working for satellite news broadcaster Al Jazeera English and faced widely denounced terror charges.

The trio spent more than a year in prison before an appeal of their convictions resulted in a second trial, although one of them, Australian Peter Grete, was abruptly deported.

Fahmy and his other colleague, Egyptian Baher Mohamed, were granted bail after the start of their retrial, which resulted in Saturday’s verdict.

Fahmy was sentenced for failing to register with the country’s journalist syndicate, bringing in equipment without security approval, and broadcasting “false news” on Al-Jazeera.

Omara said while the ap-

plications for Fahmy’s pardon or deportation have been filed by the Canadian Embassy with Egyptian officials, sustained pressure from Ottawa is needed.

“This is an opportunity for Mr. Harper to prove to us that he’s not accepting his Canadian citizens to be in prisons unjustly,” she said.

A Department of Foreign Affairs spokeswoman said that Canadian government officials have raised the case with Egyptian officials “at the highest level.”

“The government of Canada continues to call on the Egyptian government to use all tools at its disposal to resolve Mr. Fahmy’s case and allow his immediate return to Canada,” said Amy Mills.

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## Seabirds have plastic in their guts

### RESEARCH

### Study shows nine in 10 are swallowing harmful debris

As many as nine out of 10 seabirds worldwide likely have pieces of plastic in their guts, a new study estimates.

Previously, scientists figured about 29 per cent of seabirds had swallowed plastic, based on older studies. An Australian team of scientists which has studied birds and marine debris for decades used computer models to update those figures, calculating that far more seabirds are affected, according to a new study published Monday in the journal *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*.

Study co-author Denise Hardesty, senior research scientist at the Australian federal science agency, said the problem with plastics in the ocean is increasing as the world makes more of the stuff. "In the next 11 years we will make as much plastic as has been made since industrial plastic production began in the 1950s."

Hardesty's work found that the biggest problem strangely

isn't where there's the most garbage, such as the infamous garbage patch in the central north Pacific Ocean. Instead it's where the greatest number of different species exists, especially in the southern hemisphere near Australia and New Zealand.

Areas around North America and Europe are better off, she said. By reducing production of plastic pellets, she said, Europe is even seeing fewer of those plastic bits in one key bird, the northern fulmar. Some species of albatross and shearwaters seem to be the most prone to eating plastic pieces.

Birds mistake plastic bits for fish eggs, so "they think they're getting a proper meal but they're really getting a plastic meal," Hardesty said.

Usually it's incredibly tiny pieces of plastic, but Hardesty has seen far bigger things, such as an entire glow stick and three balloons in a single short-tailed shearwater bird.

"I have seen everything from cigarette lighters ... to bottle caps to model cars. I've found toys," Hardesty said.

And it's only likely to get worse. By 2050, 99 per cent of seabirds will have plastic in them, Hardesty's computer model forecast.

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### ALASKA

## Obama's Arctic Circle tour marks a first

Shrinking glaciers, Arctic temperatures and a mix of messy energy politics await President Barack Obama on his trip to Alaska, where he will become the first sitting president to step foot in the Arctic Circle.

Obama departed Monday for a three-day tour of the largest U.S. state, aiming to call attention to the ways he says climate change is already damaging Alaska's stunning scenery. By showcasing thawing permafrost, melting

sea ice and eroding shorelines, Obama hopes to raise a sense of urgency to slow climate change.

Even before he departed, Obama was making waves with a decision to rename Alaska's famed Mount McKinley despite backlash. The gesture was a major show of solidarity with the Alaska Arctic's native people. His administration is changing the name of North America's tallest peak to Denali, its traditional Athabaskan name.

Obama's move to strip the mountain of its name honouring the former president drew loud condemnations from lawmakers in his native Ohio.

Yet Obama was to navigate far more turbulent waters in Anchorage, where his declarations on climate change have been met with skepticism by leaders in a state that's heavily dependent on oil revenue, which has fallen precipitously.

At the same time, environ-

mental groups warned he hadn't done enough to protect Alaska and the climate. They took particular offence at his administration's move a few weeks ago to give Royal Dutch Shell a final permit for expanded drilling off Alaska's northwest coast.

"I share people's concerns about offshore drilling," Obama said, but added the economy still relied on oil and gas while it transitions to cleaner renewable fuels. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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# Idol worship critic shot dead in India

## RELIGIOUS INTOLERANCE

### Attack is third on crusaders against superstition

Following a knock at his front door, an Indian scholar greeted two unidentified visitors and was shot in the head and the chest, becoming the third critic of religious superstition to be killed in the country in

three years.

The attack on Malleshappa M. Kalburgi sent a chill through Indian civil society, stoking worries about religious extremism and intolerance and prompting an outpouring of condemnation, as the 77-year-old author and academic was cremated Monday in his hometown of Dharwad, in the southern Indian state of Karnataka.

Authorities are searching for two men who according to Kalburgi's daughter arrived on a motorcycle at their home Sun-

**“Everyone has the right to express his opinion.”**

Actor and director  
Girish Karnad

day, knocked on the door and fired two shots that killed her father, Inspector S.S. Hiremath said.

Police are investigating whether Kalburgi's murder is

connected to death threats he received last year from angry right-wing Hindu groups after he criticized idol worship and superstitious beliefs by Hindus. He was provided police security after the threats but it was removed about two weeks ago at the scholar's request, police said.

The attack was widely condemned.

“Everyone has the right to express his opinion,” actor and director Girish Karnad said. “If this grows in Karnataka, we are

in trouble.”

Columnist Nitin Pai, who founded a think-tank in the southern city of Bangalore, said on Twitter that he was “Shocked at the murder of M.M. Kalburgi. Disgusted that his killers have apologists among us.”

India has long held secularism to be a keystone of its constitution — and a necessity for keeping the peace among its cacophony of cultures defined by caste, clan, tribe or religion, including Islam, Christianity, Judaism, Hinduism, Sikhism,

Jainism and Buddhism.

Earlier this year, unknown attackers gunned down another anti-superstition crusader, Indian writer and communist politician Govind Pansare, as he and his wife were taking a walk in western Maharashtra state.

In another daytime attack in 2013, two assailants gunned down Narendra Dabholkar, a 68-year-old doctor-turned-activist, while he was out for a walk in the Maharashtra city of Pune, near Mumbai.

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## STORMWATCH SATELLITE SPOTS THREE HURRICANES

NASA's Terra satellite saw Hurricanes Kilo, left, Ignacio, centre, and Jimena, right, all category-four hurricanes, lined up across the Central and Eastern Pacific Ocean on Saturday. This is the first time there have been three active hurricanes in the area this season.

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## MALAYSIA

### Defiant PM refuses to quit over scandal

Malaysia's prime minister vowed he would not quit over a financial scandal, and accused protesters of showing “poor national spirit” by holding a massive rally to demand his resignation on the eve of the National Day on Monday.

After a weekend of demonstrations, the government took back the streets of Kuala Lumpur, with Prime Minister Najib Razak attending a gala parade at the landmark Independence Square, which over the week-

end was surrounded by tens of thousands of protesters.

Najib has been fighting for political survival after leaked documents in July showed he received some \$700 million US in his private accounts from entities linked to indebted state fund 1MDB. He later said the money was a donation from the Middle East and fired his critical deputy, four other cabinet members and the attorney general investigating him.

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## IN BRIEF

### Polish city takes action against treasure hunters

Authorities are blocking treasure hunters swarming the site of an alleged Nazi gold train find in southwestern Poland. The city of Walbrzych and surrounding wooded hills are experiencing a gold rush after two men said they found a Nazi train with armaments and valuables that reportedly went missing in 1945. Authorities say the site has yielded only rusty pieces of metal.

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## AUCTION

### Titanic artifacts up for sale

The Titanic's last lunch menu — saved by a passenger who climbed aboard the so-called “Money Boat” before the ocean liner went down — is going to auction, where it's estimated it will bring \$50,000 US to \$70,000 US.

The online New York auctioneer Lion Heart Autographs is offering the menu and two other previously unknown artifacts from Lifeboat 1 on Sept. 30.

Abraham Lincoln Salomon was one of a handful of first-class passengers who board-

ed the lifeboat — dubbed the “Money Boat” or “Millionaire's Boat” by the press because of unfounded rumours one of them bribed seven crew members to row the boat away from the sinking ship quickly, rather than rescue others.

Salomon also took away a printed ticket from the Titanic's opulent Turkish baths, which recorded a person's weight when seated in a specially designed upholstered lounge chair. It bears the names of three of the five other first-class passengers

with him on Lifeboat 1. It's estimated the ticket will bring \$7,500 to \$10,000.

The third artifact is a letter written by Mabel Francatelli to Salomon on New York's Plaza Hotel stationery six months after the disaster. She had climbed into the No. 1 lifeboat with her employer, aristocratic fashion designer Lucy Duff-Gordon and her Scottish husband Lord Cosmo Duff-Gordon, who it was alleged bribed the crew to row them to safety in the boat that had a capacity of 40.

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## UKRAINE

### Police officer killed by grenade at nationalist protest in Kyiv

A grenade exploded outside Ukraine's parliament during a nationalist protest against a vote to give greater powers to separatist regions in the east, killing one police officer and injuring more than 100, the interior ministry said.

The clashes marked the worst outburst of violence in the capital since the government took power in February 2014.

The decentralization of power was a condition of a truce signed in Minsk in Febru-

ary aimed at ending the fighting between Ukrainian government troops and Russia-backed separatists that has left more than 6,800 dead since April 2014. But some Ukrainians oppose changing the constitution, saying that it would threaten the country's sovereignty and independence.

In a televised address, Ukrainian President Petro Poroshenko called the bill, which was adopted on Monday as “a difficult but a logical step toward peace,” and insisted

**“There's no other way to describe what occurred outside the Rada other than a stab in the back.”**

President Petro Poroshenko

that it wouldn't give any autonomy to the rebels.

No injuries were immedi-

ately reported among several hundred protesters including 100 die-hard activists, most of whom were members of Svoboda, a nationalist party that holds only a handful of seats in parliament. The protesters were carrying sticks and truncheons and some were masked.

Interior Minister Arsen Avakov said that about 30 people have been detained, including the person who threw the grenade. Avakov identified the grenade thrower

as a Svoboda member who fought in the east in one of the volunteer battalions which are loosely controlled by the government.

Poroshenko described the clashes outside the parliament as an attack on him and pledged to prosecute “all political leaders” who were behind the clashes.

“There's no other way to describe what occurred outside the Rada other than a stab in the back,” he said of the clashes outside parliament.

A total of 265 deputies in the 450-seat parliament gave preliminary approval Monday to the changes proposed by President Poroshenko. Three parties that are part of the majority coalition in parliament, however, opposed the constitutional changes.

A final vote on the constitutional changes will be held during parliament's fall session, which begins on Tuesday. No specific date has yet been set.

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# Google ups wearables fight

## TECHNOLOGY

### Android smartwatches now connect to iPhones

Google is introducing an application that will connect Android smartwatches with Apple's iPhone, escalating the rivals' battle to strap their technology on people's wrists.

The move thrusts Google on to Apple's turf in an attempt to boost the lacklustre sales of watches running on its Android Wear software. The program uniting the devices running on different operating systems is being released Monday in Apple's app store.

Until now, Android watches worked only with smartphones powered by Android software, just as the Apple Watch is designed to be tethered exclusively to the iPhone.

Google's new app, though, will enable the latest Android watches to link with the iPhone so people can quickly glance at their wrists for directions,



Google displays a Wear device that can link up with products from its top rival. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

fitness information and notifications about events, emails and Facebook updates.

The devices still won't be able to be tied together in a way that will allow the Android watches to communicate with all the other apps that a user might have installed on



**This is a shrewd move by Google to expand its potential market.**

IDC analyst Ramon Llamas

the iPhone.

That roadblock is likely to discourage many iPhone owners from defecting from Apple to buy an Android watch unless Google eventually finds a way to overcome the obstacle, said IDC analyst Ramon Llamas. For now, the Android watch-

es are most likely to appeal to iPhone owners reluctant to spend a lot of money on a device that remains more of a novelty than an essential gadget.

Google expects the prices of Android watches compatible with the iPhone to range from \$100 US to \$400 US. Apple, which has a long history of demanding premium prices for its products, sells most of its watches for \$350 US to \$1,000 US, though its luxury models cost more than \$10,000 US.

Android watches aren't going to be bought by "the fan boys and fan girls that have to have absolutely everything with an Apple logo on it," Llamas said. "We are talking about going after people who are open to other possibilities with what they can do with their devices."

The upcoming Android watches that will work with the iPhone include the Asus ZenWatch 2 and the Huawei Watch. LG Electronics already makes an Android Watch, the \$300 US Urbane, that's compatible with the iPhone.

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## IN BRIEF

### Jeep recalling Cherokee SUVs to fix wipers

Fiat Chrysler is recalling 206,668 Jeep Cherokee SUVs — including 18,366 in Canada — because the windshield wipers can stop working unexpectedly. Cherokees from the 2014 model year are affected. Fiat Chrysler says static buildup, which may occur if the wipers are used when it's dry, can affect the module that powers the wipers and potentially disable them. Customers will be notified and dealers will repair the vehicles for free.

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## market minute

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## ECONOMY

### Alberta facing \$5.9B deficit

Alberta's finance minister says the province is on track for a record \$5.9-billion deficit this year as the oil crunch hits families and businesses.

And Joe Ceci says the worst may not be over if low oil prices persist and the province continues in recession.

"If current conditions continue, the final deficit will be in the range of \$6.5 billion," Ceci said Monday as he released first-quarter figures for the 2015-16 fiscal year.

Ceci said the NDP government will continue to look for efficiencies, but will not engage in large-scale layoffs or



**This is the largest hit that our province has taken to its net wealth.**

Derek Fildebrandt

deep cuts to erase the red ink.

Opposition Wildrose finance critic Derek Fildebrandt calculated the hit to Alberta's treasury is actually \$9 billion, when \$3 billion drained from the contingency fund and new borrowing for capital projects are added in.

"This is the largest hit that our province has taken to its net wealth in the history of the province," said Fildebrandt.

Monday's numbers are based on the budget introduced, but never passed, by former Progressive Conservative premier Jim Prentice's government before it was defeated by Rachel Notley and the NDP in May. That budget estimated a \$5-billion deficit. The new estimates reflect changes made by the NDP, including higher corporate and personal taxes, and more than a billion dollars in new spending.

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## ASHLEY MADISON LEAK

### Thousands sign up, owners say

The owners of adultery website Ashley Madison say hundreds of thousands of people signed up for their website in the past week despite a recent cyberattack that leaked the personal information of many of their users.

Toronto-based Avid Life Media, the parent company of Ashley Madison, claims reports of its imminent demise are exaggerated and that operations continue despite the

departure of founder and CEO Noel Biderman on Friday.

Biderman stepped down from the company following a cyberattack in which hackers stole the personal information of Ashley Madison's customers and distributed it online.

Avid Life said 87,596 women signed up in the last week and that reports suggesting only a small percentage of the site's users are women were based on incorrect conclusions from

the leaked data.

The company did not say how many users it had lost during that same period.

Ashley Madison has said it is co-operating with police to find those responsible for the hack. The company has offered a \$500,000 reward for anyone with information that results in the identification, arrest and conviction of those responsible.

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## metro's election explainer

### Why is infrastructure an election issue?

Liberal Leader Justin Trudeau set tongues wagging when he announced his party's plans to run three years of "modest" deficits to fund a \$125-billion infrastructure-spending spree. He says that will work out to a \$10-billion shortfall each year, with a return to a balanced budget in 2019-2020.

Conservative Leader Stephen Harper instantly threw Trudeau's famous line from last year ("The budget will balance itself") back in the Liberal Leader's face. NDP Leader Thomas Mulcair reiterated his party's commitment to a balanced budget, which Trudeau claims will require spending cuts no matter which way the books are sliced and diced. But what would an infrastructure infusion really mean for Canada? Here are answers to a few common questions.

#### What exactly is infrastructure, anyways?

That's a matter of debate. Most people think of infrastructure as public works: roads, bridges, transit — things that improve economic productivity. But the Liberal plan also includes "social infrastructure," such as seniors' centres and housing projects.

#### How badly do we need an infrastructure boost?

The Federation of Canadian Municipalities says cities and towns around the country are facing a \$123-billion gap between their infrastructure needs and their available funds.

Either the difference will have to be made up by other levels of government, or communities will need to do without.

#### Does infrastructure really help perk up the economy?

Trudeau says his plan is designed to "create growth," and according to the FCM, each dollar invested in public works generates an extra \$1.20 in yearly GDP growth.

That's why infrastructure development is often part of stimulus projects designed to help the economy bounce back from a downturn — usually worse than the slump we're in.

The efficacy of this is hotly debated. Examples include the New Deal in the 1930s U.S., and the Harper government's post-2008 Economic Action Plan, which at just \$63 billion, is dwarfed by the Liberals' proposal.

#### What are other parties promising?

NDP: \$1.5 billion per year in infrastructure, plus \$1.3 billion for transit. Tories: An \$80-billion, 10-year plan: \$5.3 billion per year, plus \$250 million for transit (to increase to \$1 billion by 2019), \$150 million in projects marking Canada's 150th birthday.



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## Halifax must put a foot forward for pedestrians

### YOUR RIDE

Erica Butler



Halifax has a pedestrian problem. Even though in some downtown streets, walkers outnumber cars, they are an afterthought. It's time we started making more room for them.

Bill Campbell is one of the founders of Walk and Roll Halifax.

"There's this vast amount of real estate that lies between buildings," Campbell told me recently. "We're not paying enough attention to the needs of pedestrians within that public realm."

When I asked Mark Nener of the Halifax Regional Municipality's cities and environment unit about design for pedestrians in Halifax, he came up with Spring Garden Road as an example.

"It's one of our main

pedestrian corridors in the downtown, but the width of the sidewalks certainly don't reflect that," Nener said. "It needs more space and a better quality pedestrian environment."

Pedestrians actually outnumber vehicles on Spring Garden Road.

According to automatic pedestrian counters set up by the Spring Garden and downtown Halifax business associations, more than 18,000 of us walk up or down the street on an average day.

Compare that to the weekday average of just under 11,000 vehicles the city counted in July 2015.

And yet, the sidewalks of Spring Garden Road remain barely wide enough for a wheelchair user to wind his way through while someone else walks out of a storefront and yet another waits for a bus or taxi.

Meanwhile the lion's share of the space — the street —

is chock-a-block full of trucks for much of the day.

Last week I made the mistake of turning down Spring Garden Road at midday. A huge propane truck squatted in the street, presumably gassing up a local restaurant. A Canada Post truck sat idling a little farther up on the other side. And a handful of other delivery vans were stopped intermittently along the street. It was clear: Spring Garden is a glorified loading zone.

Why haven't the merchants of Spring Garden Road smartened up and fixed this?

They almost did in 2009, when a streetscape redesign made it all the way to Regional Council before being quashed in its final hour. Apparently councillors were convinced that moving propane trucks off the street at noon would be bad for business.

Six years and a new library

### Spring Garden Road is a glorified loading zone. Why haven't the merchants smartened up and fixed this?

later, District 7 Coun. Wayne Mason there's another plan for the Spring Garden streetscape in the works (though no details are yet available). It would be another chance for city traffic officials, planners, and Spring Garden Road businesses to embrace a more realistic layout for the public realm of this amazing, lively street.

Erica Butler lives in Halifax and uses transit, a car and a bicycle to get around the city. You can follow her on Twitter at @HabitatRadio.

## ROSEMARY WESTWOOD

### metroview

## How a champion changed my views on beauty pageants

If you'd asked me last week, I'd have said beauty pageants are where feminism goes to die.

Pageants are prime-time, high-gloss prostitution. They're hokey and, worse, gaudy messes. They feature a criminal lack of taste for such a multi-outfit affair. And despite the swimsuit/spray-tan section, they manage to kill sex appeal, any actual sensuality being buried under excessive makeup and plastic smiles.

They're only informative insofar as they reinforce the cliché of the dumb blonde (see Miss Teen South Carolina of "such as the Iraq" fame). Some — like Miss America — hawk themselves as key scholarship programs, but thanks to John Oliver, we know that's a load of sparkly crap, too.

Interesting women can be found anywhere but on that stage. With the exception of Ashley Burnham.

The 25-year-old from Enoch Cree Nation in Alberta won Mrs. Universe last weekend — billed as the beauty pageant for the charitable and human-rights inclined, and the already married.

Burnham — an actor, model and activist — resonated with the pageant's theme of ending domestic violence and protecting children. It's a cause intimately tied to her own childhood, which she has said was an ongoing terror of physical and sexual abuse.

Burnham (née Callingbull)

is using her platform to speak for survivors of abuse and promote Cree culture. She displays little fear or modesty. "I'm breaking barriers," she said. Damn right.

She's the first aboriginal woman to win this crown. She might be the first aboriginal beauty queen you've heard of. She brought the artistry of a round dance song and a traditional jingle dress to the contest. There would be, she said, no "Pocahottie."

Of course, Burnham is stunning, with angled, almond eyes, full lips and long dark hair. She reportedly lost 45 pounds for the pageant, and in swimsuit photos she's sculpted and strong. For her coronation, she wore a plunging-V-neck, seafoam-green gown — and it was fabulous.

I'd love Burnham to find an audience without competing for a panel of judges. But I strain to imagine how else she might trend higher on Instagram than Kanye West's 2020 presidential bid. And while indigenous Canada already knew her, she's meeting the rest of us because she's a newly crowned beauty queen.

Mostly, I have little more than disdain for the women who subject themselves to the female equivalent of a dog show.

But I respect Burnham. She makes a poor source for pageant blooper reels, and a champion hard to ignore.

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## Sexuality and social status

### RESEARCH

### Richer women less likely to act on same-sex attraction, study claims

It's been suggested in the past that women may be more likely to be bisexual than men, and a new study reveals that social status might play a role in whether or not a woman will veer from heterosexual dating.

Being physically attractive and highly educated makes women more likely to identify themselves as being 100 per cent heterosexual, according to the study.

"Women who are initially successful in partnering with men, as is more traditionally expected, may never explore their attraction to other women," says study author Elizabeth Aura McClintock of the University of Notre Dame in the U.S.

"However, women with the same sexual attractions, but less favourable heterosexual options might have greater opportunity to experiment with same-sex partners."

She adds that women who act on their homosexual desires are more likely to identify themselves as someone who swings both ways.

Working with data from the

### FOR MEN

- Higher education levels meant the likelihood of men identifying themselves as 100 per cent heterosexual was lower, according to the study, and physical beauty could not be linked with men's sexual identity.

- Changing one's sexual identity over time was three times more likely for women than for men, the study from the University of Notre Dame found.

National Longitudinal Study of Adolescent to Adult Health (Add Health), McClintock traced the love lives of 5,018 women and 4,191 men.

She limited her sample to the first, third and fourth waves of the report, which were defined by the period of time in which they were collected: The first taken from 1994-1995, the third from 2001-2002 and fourth from 2007-2008.

Participants in the first wave averaged 16 years of age, 22 in the third and 28 in the fourth and nobody was asked to identify their sexuality until the third wave.

First, she confirmed existing research that indicates women are more likely than men to de-

scribe themselves as bisexual, whereas men tend to choose one side or another.

Changing one's sexual identity over time was three times more likely for women than for men, according to the study.

Physically attractive, highly educated women were more likely than others in the third and fourth waves to report being 100 per cent heterosexual, yet those who had had a child by the third were less likely to describe themselves as such.

This was in line with McClintock's hypothesis that avoiding young motherhood was another aspect of how social status facilitates a hetero-conformist identity.

Women who were not mothers at a young age likely had more ease of honing successful romances, she says.

"Women with some degree of attraction to both males and females might be drawn into heterosexuality if they have favourable options in the heterosexual partner market," says McClintock.

The study, which has implications for sexual identity as a social construct, was presented at the 110th Annual Meeting of the American Sociological Association last month in Chicago.

A 2013 study published in the journal *Evolutionary Psychology* concluded that women are more likely than men to be bisexual. AFP



In a study that has implications for sexual identity as a social construct, the study author found that "women who are initially successful in partnering with men, as is more traditionally expected, may never explore their attraction to other women." ISTOCK



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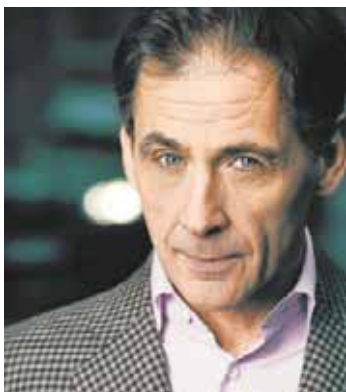


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## BOOK EXCERPT THE GIRL IN THE SPIDER'S WEB BY DAVID LAGERCRANTZ

## 'She was on the hunt'



David Lagercrantz LIAM KARLSSON/MAGNUS

Troubled genius hacker Lisbeth Salander and crusading journalist Mikael Blomkvist are back. The two characters are at the heart of Stieg Larsson's Millennium Series — The Girl With the Dragon Tattoo, The Girl Who Played With Fire and The Girl Who Kicked the Hornets' Nest. When Larsson died suddenly in 2004, fans thought that would be the end of the blockbuster books.

But his publisher hired Swedish writer David Lagercrantz to continue the series. Now, Salander and Blomkvist feature in The Girl in the Spider's Web (Penguin Random House, Sept. 1, \$34). See how Lagercrantz has continued the series in this excerpt from the new novel. The first two lines are text on a computer IM.

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<Tell me! How does it feel?>  
<Empty>, came the answer.  
Empty.

That was how it felt. Salander had hardly slept for a week and she had probably also had too little to drink and eat, and now her head ached and her eyes were bloodshot and her hands shook and what she wanted above all was to sweep all of her equipment to the floor. In one sense she was content, though hardly for the reason Plague or anyone else in Hacker Republic would have guessed. She was content because she had been able to get some new information on the criminal group she was mapping out; she had found evidence of a connection which she had previously only suspected. But she kept that to herself, and she was surprised that the others could have imagined that she would have hacked the system for the hell of it.

She was no hormone-fuelled teenager, no idiot show-off looking for a kick. She would only embark on such a bold venture because she was after something very specific, although it was true that once upon a time hacking had been more than just a tool for her. During the worst moments of her childhood it had been her way of escaping, a way to make life feel a little less boxed in. With the help of computers she could break through barriers which had been put in her way and experience periods of freedom. There was probably an element of that in the current situation too.

First and foremost she was on the hunt and had been ever since she woke up in the early light of



Our favourite heroine Lisbeth Salander, played here by Noomi Rapace, returns in her latest incarnation as The Girl in the Spider's Web. KNUT KOIVISTO

dawn with her dream of that fist beating rhythmically, relentlessly on a mattress on Lundagatan. Her enemies were hiding behind smoke screens and this could be the reason why Salander had been unusually difficult and awkward of late. It was as if a new darkness emanated from her. Apart from a large, loudmouthed boxing coach called Obinze and two or three lovers of both sexes, she saw hardly anyone. More than ever she looked like trouble; her hair was straggly, her eyes threatening, and even though she sometimes made an effort she had not become more fluent at small talk. She spoke the truth or said nothing at all. As for her apartment here on Fiskargatan . . . that was a story in itself. It was big enough for a family with seven children, although in the years since she had acquired the place nothing had been done to decorate it or make it homey. There were only a few pieces of Ikea furniture, placed seemingly at random, and she did not even have a stereo system, perhaps because she did not understand music. She saw more melody in a differential equation than in a piece by Beethoven. Yet she was as rich as Croesus. The money she had stolen from that crook Hans-Erik Wennerström had grown to a little more than five billion kronor, so she could afford whatever she wanted. But in some way — which was typical of her — her fortune had not made any mark on her personality, unless perhaps it had made her yet more fearless. She had certainly done some increasingly drastic things of late.

## PICKING UP LARSSON'S MANTLE

## Author of new Millennium book haunted by spectre of Salander

When author and journalist Stieg Larsson died of a heart attack in 2004, his fantasies of literary success were fated to go unrealized in his lifetime. Larsson had recently found a publisher for his Millennium trilogy of crime novels, which followed the exploits of a deeply disturbed but brilliant and morally upright hacker named Lisbeth Salander. He hoped to earn enough from their publication to take up fiction full time.

The 2005 publication of Men Who Hate Women (retitled The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo for the English translation), the first of Larsson's trilogy, changed the course of crime fiction. The trilogy went on to sell over 80 million copies and spawned four movie adaptations, surpassing Larsson's modest dreams of full-time authorhood hundreds of times over.



“This was the thrill of my life.”

David Lagercrantz on writing The Girl in the Spider's Web

LIAM KARLSSON/MAGNUS

A decade after the publication of The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo, Larsson's publisher has pulled off the unlikely feat of releasing a new Lisbeth Salander novel, The Girl in the Spider's Web.

The novel was commissioned and written under a veil of secrecy and intrigue the series' creator would no doubt have found amusing.

David Lagercrantz, a novelist, biographer and former crime reporter, was chosen by Larsson's publisher and literary estate to continue the Millennium series.

Known outside of Sweden for ghostwriting the bestselling autobiography of soccer icon Zlatan Ibrahimovic, Lagercrantz was shocked when Larsson's publisher approached him.

"I didn't believe them at first," Lagercrantz says, speaking from his home in Stock-

holm. "But my agent, the publisher and the estate saw certain patterns in my writing and thought I would be perfect. I've always been interested in geniuses like Salander who society has treated badly and who have fought back."

Lagercrantz wasn't sure if he was up to the task of getting inside the mind of Salander, a heroine whose off-the-charts IQ, computer savvy and lust for righteous, retributive violence have made her a pop-culture icon. "I was terrified that people would say to me that I couldn't live up to the original books," he admits.

"But the terror made me a better writer."

Still, the spectre of Salander haunted him. "I had so much trouble with her because I put too much emotion into the character," he explains.

"It didn't suit her — you had to feel her anger between the lines."

Inspiration came from an unlikely source: rewatching Christopher Nolan's Batman trilogy.

"I realized that what's fascinating about Salander is that, like any superhero, she has this great mythology. She grew up with a mother being raped and abused by an evil father, who is protected by the security forces, and she learns that she has to take revenge herself."

The result is a thoroughly modern, unapologetically angry heroine.

"There are certain characters that we have to go back to so that we can understand them. We will go back to Lisbeth Salander for ages," says Lagercrantz.

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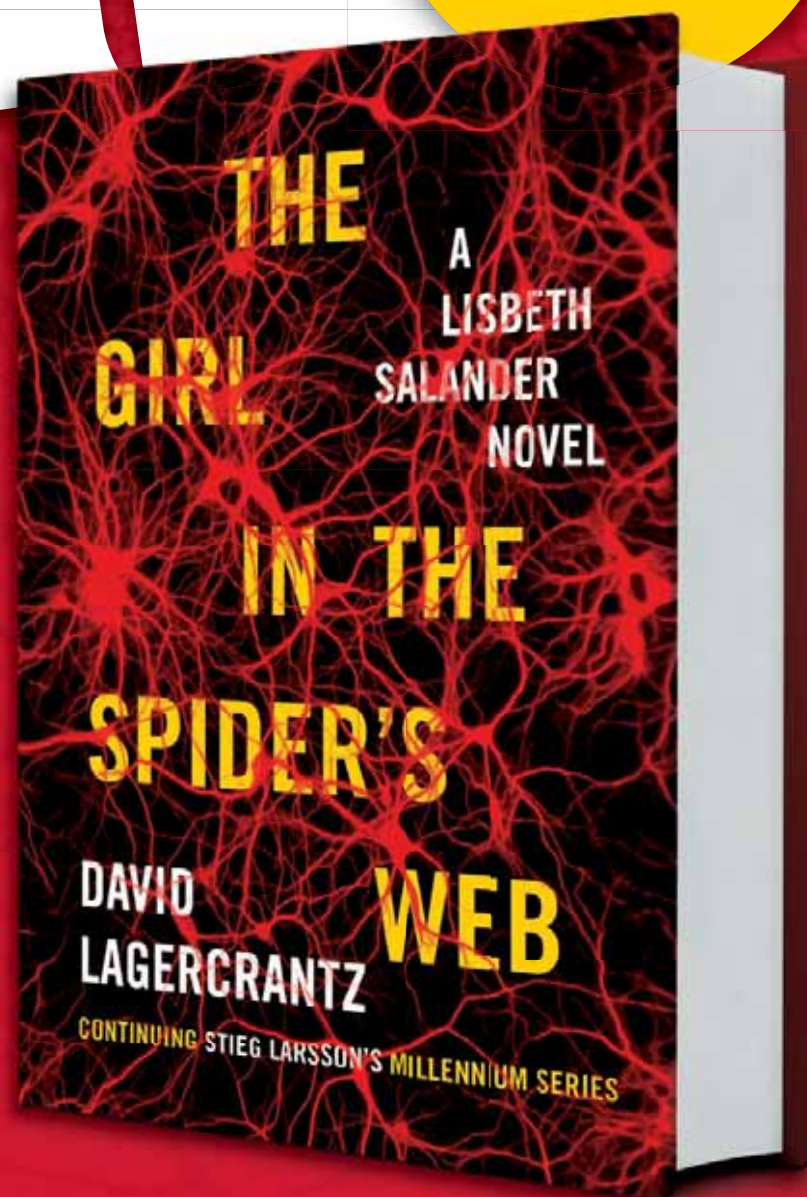
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# Crawford embraces Canadian wilderness

## MOUNTAIN MEN

### Cast and crew chased snowcaps in Revelstoke B.C.

**Richard Crouse**  
For Metro Canada



"I love Canada," says Mountain Men star Chace Crawford. "I'm from Texas so I get along with Canadians really well. There is some weird kindred spirit there."

Crawford is best known as the star of *Gossip Girl* — he played Upper East Side heartthrob Nate Archibald on over 100 episodes of the hit show — but he got his big break working in Canada.

"I worked in Montreal on my first film ever back in 2005," he says. "It was a Screen Gems movie called *The Covenant*, which was like *The Craft* meets the Backstreet Boys. I had the best time of my life on that. I love Montreal but I know Montreal

is a lot different than Toronto or Vancouver and definitely Revelstoke."

Revelstoke is, indeed, a long hike from Montreal. The beautiful southeastern British Columbia community has provided a backdrop for films dating back to the 1930s — a 1937 Lilli Palmer about the building of the Canadian Pacific Railway was partially shot there — and gave *Mountain Men* its picturesque setting.

The film is the story of estranged brothers Cooper (Crawford) and Toph (Tyler Labine, real-life brother of the film's writer and director Cameron Labine). When Cooper returns home to attend their mother's wedding, Toph tricks him into taking a trip into the Rocky Mountains. When everything goes wrong they must bond or die.

The scenery is suitably rustic, but Crawford says the location wasn't as rough as it looks in the film.

"We really pulled it off," he says. "To be honest we got there in April and had this house up in the middle of nowhere. There

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PART OF THE CAN-ADIAN INDIE FILM SERIES, **MOUNTAIN MEN** SCREENS ACROSS CANADA WEDNESDAY. IT OPENS IN THEATRES FRIDAY.

was a couple feet of snow everywhere but by the end it was gorgeous springtime. The snow just slowly melted. We had to keep going higher and higher up the mountain to make it look more treacherous. It was nice out almost. It was more wet than anything."

When he wasn't shooting on the mountain he was getting to know his co-star.

"Tyler and me shared a big house," he says. "He has a family and a wife and kids and he's a great dad, but he got to be away from that for a moment and kind of lock in.... It was more a bonding experience and by the end of it we were brothers from another mother."



Tyler Labine and Chace Crawford star in the Canadian indie film *Mountain Men*, screening nationwide this week. CONTRIBUTED

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## IN BRIEF

**Red Sox end Yankees' tear**  
David Ortiz hit his 495th home run and Jackie Bradley Jr. had three hits and threw out a runner at the plate to lift the Boston Red Sox to a 4-3 victory over the New York Yankees on Monday night.

Mookie Betts hit a two-run homer for the Red Sox. It was their ninth win in 13 games.

Didi Gregorius had four singles for New York, which had scored 20 runs on Sunday to complete a three-game sweep over Atlanta. He flied out to the warning track with the bases loaded and two outs in the top of the ninth.

The Yankees remained 1-1/2 games behind AL East-leading Toronto, which lost 4-2 to Cleveland on Monday.

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## Roughriders fire Chamblin

The Saskatchewan Roughriders announced on Monday they have fired head coach Corey Chamblin, and vice-president of football operations and general manager Brendan Taman.

The Roughriders are coming off a 35-13 loss to Ottawa on Sunday that dropped their record to 0-9. They are the only winless club in the CFL this season and sit in the West Division basement — six points behind the Winnipeg Blue Bombers, who are 3-6.

"We are not meeting our expectations or our standards on the field and these changes were necessary to move us forward," said Riders president and CEO Craig Reynolds.

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## Divac adds GM duties to his job description

Vlade Divac has added the title of general manager of the Sacramento Kings.

The Kings announced Monday that Divac will serve as vice-president of basketball operations and general manager. Divac was hired in March as vice-president of basketball and franchise operations. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

# 'We'll be a hard team to play against': Ducharme

## MOOSEHEADS

**Head coach has confidence roster to begin 2015-16 season**



**Kristen Lipscombe**  
Metro | Halifax

Halifax Mooseheads head coach Dominique Ducharme isn't concerned about the fact that his team has lost all four pre-season games it has played.

The Herd have dropped three games to the Cape Breton Screaming Eagles, and one to the Moncton Wildcats, since first taking to the ice in exhibition action Aug. 15.

"I see some good things every day in practice," Ducharme said Monday night. "I see us progressing, and that's the most important thing."

Sixteen returning players and eight rookies will hit the ice Thursday night for the QMJHL franchise's final pre-season face-off, set for 7 p.m. at the Halifax Forum, once again versus provincial rivals the Screaming Eagles.

There's plenty of turnover again this season for the Moose, especially up front, where there are six newcomers — Joel Bishop, Dominik Blain-Dupuis, Barrett Dachyshyn, Arnaud Durandau, Ilya Putintsev and Otto Somppli.



**Head coach Dominique Ducharme says he likes what he sees in his team — especially the fact that the players are "progressing."** METRO FILE

"I like our young guys," Ducharme said. "The way they do things; the way they work."

On the blue line, Cooper Jones and Walter Flower are the lone first-year players, while the crease is backed by the experience of former Quebec Remparts goaltender Eric Brassard and second-year Herd netminder Kevin Resop.

"They know our expectations," Ducharme said of the older guys. "There's no surprise

for them."

Mooseheads general manager Cam Russell announced his team's final 24-player roster last Thursday. Ducharme seems confident he can work with those who have made the cut to find just the right chemistry for the 2015-16 season.

"At (some) point, it becomes obvious," he said of deciding which players will play on which lines. "You see it and know how the players react ... and then it

comes together."

Juggling lines is often required throughout the season, such as when there are injuries, or when veteran players are called up to NHL training camps.

Soon enough, Ducharme pointed out, Swiss import forward Timo Meier and second-year defenceman Cavan Fitzgerald will head to San Jose, while former Remparts blueliner Cody Donaghey will be off to Toronto.

In the meantime, the Moose

## + THE BIG TIME

Herd players called up to NHL camps: defenceman Cody Donaghey (Toronto Maple Leafs), defenceman Cavan Fitzgerald (San Jose Sharks), and forward Timo Meier (San Jose).

will continue to work on "a different part of the game" every day on the ice, most recently 5-on-5 play during Monday's practice.

"We'll start working on special teams," Ducharme said of the rest of this week before puck drop at the Halifax Forum.

But after a tough training camp that kicked off Aug. 11, the boys in green and red will get a few days off following Thursday's final pre-season game to get rested up and get ready for the real deal.

Halifax opens the regular season on the road, Sept. 11 against the Charlottetown Islanders and Sept. 12 versus the Saint John Sea Dogs.

The Mooseheads then host the Acadie-Bathurst Titan for their home opener, at 7 p.m. on Sept. 18 at the Scotiabank Centre, followed by a second straight home game against the Sea Dogs, at the same time Sept. 19.

"I like what I see," Ducharme reiterated. "We'll be a hard team to play against."

## MLB

# Price can't buy Blue Jays their fourth straight win

Danny Salazar outlasted David Price in a pitchers' duel as the Cleveland Indians beat the Toronto Blue Jays 4-2 on Monday night.

The two aces combined for 19 strikeouts in a tight game between two of the hottest teams in the American League.

Price (13-5) struck out nine over seven innings, allowing three earned runs as Toronto (74-57) ended a three-game win streak. Josh Donaldson had a two-run triple and Edwin Encarnacion, who was named the AL player of the week earlier in

## MONDAY In Toronto



the day, extended his hit streak to 26 games with a single and a double.

Brett Cecil came in from the bullpen for a scoreless eighth before the Indians added a run in the ninth off LaTroy Hawkins.

Salazar (12-7) fanned 10 bat-

ters and allowed two runs over seven innings as Cleveland (64-66) won its sixth in a row and gained ground the AL's wild-card race. Cody Allen got four outs, earning his 28th save of the season.

Ryan Raburn tied it at 2-2 for Cleveland in the seventh inning, driving in Carlos Santana from first base with a triple off the right-field wall.

The Indians then claimed a 3-2 lead when Jerry Sands singled to left field to bring home Raburn.

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**The Indians' Jason Kipnis dives safely into third base against the Blue Jays' Josh Donaldson in Toronto on Monday night.**

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## US OPEN

# First round exit for 4th seed Nishikori

A year after his run all the way to his first Grand Slam final, Kei Nishikori's stay at the U.S. Open lasted only a few hours.

The fourth-seeded Nishikori had two match points in the fourth-set tiebreaker against 41st-ranked Benoit Paire, but the Frenchman saved both of them then took control in the fifth for a 6-4, 3-6, 4-6, 7-6 (6), 6-4 victory Monday.

It was the first win of his career against an opponent ranked in the top five. "When I saw the draw against Kei, I said, 'Bad luck,'" Paire recalled. But then he reminded himself he had been competitive in two previous losses to the Japanese star.

"It's not like if I play against Roger Federer. Against Kei, I know I can play," Paire said, explaining he knew he could get something going against Nishikori's serve. "He was very aggressive, so there was many rallies and it was tough to get rhythm,"

## + CANADIANS

Canada's Milos Raonic has advanced to the second round of the U.S. Open with a 6-4, 7-6 (8), 6-1 win over Tim Smyczek of the USA.

Raonic, the 10th seed, emerged victorious from a lengthy second-set tiebreak, Raonic dominated the third set to advance. Eugenie Bouchard beat Alison Riske for the fifth straight time, winning 6-4, 6-3 while Vasek Pospisil played later Monday.

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Nishikori said. "He hits a lot of drop shots and good serves."

Last year at Flushing Meadows, Nishikori became the first man from Asia to reach a major final, where he lost to Marin Cilic.

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## NFL

# Judge will decide 'Deflategate' soon

NFL commissioner Roger Goodell and New England Patriots quarterback Tom Brady attended last-minute settlement talks between the NFL and its players union Monday before a judge announced he would decide deflated footballs dispute with a ruling in a day or two.

Everyone involved "tried quite hard" to reach a deal in the controversy that has hung over professional football since New England easily won the AFC title game in January, U.S. District Judge Richard Berman said in federal court in Manhattan.

However, Berman said: "We did not reach a settlement. ... In some cases, it doesn't happen and this is one of those cases."

Absent a compromise, Berman will have to either affirm or throw out Goodell's decision in July to uphold a four-game sus-



Tom Brady arrives at talks

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pension of Brady. The NFL concluded the quarterback colluded with two Patriots ball handlers to deflate footballs to gain an edge in a 45-7 victory over the Colts.

The NFL Players Association has accused the league of handling the discipline unfairly for Brady, who has denied any role in the scandal nicknamed "Deflategate." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

## IN BRIEF

### United to sign pricey teen striker Martial from Monaco

For the second straight year, Manchester United is turning to French club Monaco to solve its striker shortage in the final hours of Europe's summer transfer window.

Twelve months ago, it was Radamel Falcao. This time, it's Anthony Martial.

The French Football Federation said Monday that Martial, a 19-year-old forward who has been compared to

France great Thierry Henry, was granted permission to leave France's national squad to sign a contract at United.

Reports in the media said Martial will cost United 36 million pounds (\$55.5 million), a hefty fee for a player who has started only 29 games and was just called up by France for the first time. Martial would be the most expensive teenage player in the history of the game. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Mark Shapiro resigned as Cleveland Indians president to become the Toronto Blue Jays' president and CEO after this season.

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# Shapiro announced as next Jays president

## MLB

## 24-year Tribe employee will succeed Paul Beerston

Mark Shapiro brings two decades of baseball and business experience to the Toronto Blue Jays as their next president and CEO.

The Blue Jays named Shapiro as the successor to longtime executive Paul Beeston, with the former Cleveland Indians president set to take over at the end of this season.

"This opportunity for me is the right challenge at the right time," Shapiro said at a news conference in Cleveland on Monday.

The 48-year-old Shapiro spent the past 24 years in various front-office capacities with the Indians, the past five as club president. He said the "compelling and unique" nature of the Blue Jays' position made it too attractive to pass up. Shapiro will soon take the helm of a franchise that's on pace for its first playoff appearance since 1993 and one that has plans to renovate Rogers Centre in the coming years. The stadium, which opened in 1989, is expected to have an all-grass field by 2018, and could get a facelift elsewhere.

He was part of renovations to Cleveland's Progressive Field

## + AWARD FOR ENCARNACION

At the end of his history-making August and in the midst of a major-league-best hitting streak, Edwin Encarnacion has been named the American League player of the week.

The Toronto Blue Jays slugger hit .391 with six home runs and 17 RBIs last week. Encarnacion is hitting

.409 with 11 home runs and 35 RBIs during a 25-game hitting streak. His 35 RBIs in August are a franchise record for any month.

Chicago Cubs pitcher Jake Arrieta was named National League player of the week after no-hitting the Los Angeles Dodgers on Sunday night. THE CANADIAN PRESS

that made it a more fan-friendly ballpark.

"Mark is a seasoned baseball veteran, whose leadership, drive for excellence, and commitment to all aspects of the game is impressive," Blue Jays chairman Edward Rogers said in a statement. "We have confidence that he is the right person to lead the Toronto Blue Jays into the future and build upon the franchise's legacy."

On the baseball side, Shapiro's first order of business is a decision on the future of general manager Alex Anthopoulos,

whose off-season and trade-deadline moves shaped Toronto into a contender. Anthopoulos traded for MVP candidate Josh Donaldson and signed catcher Russell Martin in the off-season, then acquired ace David Price, shortstop Troy Tulowitzki and others late last month, moves that helped the Blue Jays surge into first place in the American League East.

Like Beeston's, Anthopoulos's contract is up Oct. 31. According to multiple reports, Shapiro is likely to retain the Montreal native, who could be an executive

of the year candidate.

Rogers, which owns the Blue Jays, said in a statement that Shapiro would not be commenting about his new role until he takes over. In the same statement, Shapiro said he was "honoured to be following in the footsteps of one of baseball's greatest leaders, as I look to build on the franchise's strong foundation and legacy in Canadian sport."

Beeston was hired in 1976, the year before the team began playing. He served as president and COO of Major League Baseball from 1989-97, and again since 2008. He was the president and COO of Major League Baseball from 1997-2002.

The Blue Jays announced in January that the 69-year-old would retire after this season.

"I have known Mark for many years. He is an exemplary executive and his passion for baseball and winning is remarkable," Beeston said.

"I am happy to pass him the baton — but not just yet; Alex, the team and I have a little more work to do and we're focused on putting more Ws in the win column."

Indians owner Paul Dolan confirmed the Blue Jays are not sending any compensation to Cleveland for hiring Shapiro. Dolan told reporters in Cleveland that Shapiro was free to leave for another opportunity when he was ready.

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Blue Jays chairman Edward Rogers



## RECIPE Brown Rice, Black Bean and Avocado Pilaf



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This pilaf is great-tasting and visually beautiful. Rice and beans make a complete protein when combined.

#### Serves 4

#### Ready in

Prep time: 10 minutes  
Cook time: 30 minutes

#### Ingredients

- 1 cup brown rice
- 2 cups chicken or vegetable stock
- 1 1/2 cups canned black beans, drained and rinsed
- 1 1/2 cups sliced cherry tomatoes
- 1/2 cup diced ripe avocado
- 1/3 cup diced green onion
- pinch freshly ground black pepper
- 1 Tbsp olive oil
- 3 Tbsp freshly squeezed

lime or lemon juice  
• 1/3 cup chopped cilantro or parsley

#### Directions

**1.** Combine the rice and stock in a medium saucepan, cover and bring to a boil. Lower the heat and simmer for approximately 30 minutes, or until the rice is still slightly tender.

**2.** Cool for 10 minutes.

**3.** Combine the remaining ingredients in a bowl, mixing well. Stir into the rice mixture and serve immediately.

#### Nutrition per serving

- Calories 325
- Protein 11 g
- Carbohydrates 53 g
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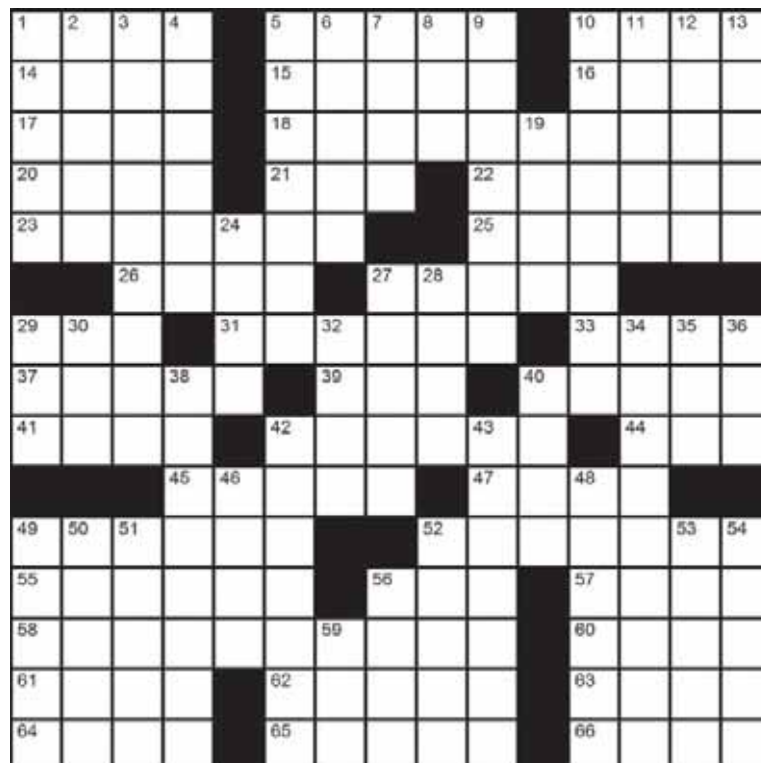
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## CROSSWORD Canada Across and Down

BY KELLY ANN BUCHANAN

### ACROSS

1. Pacific Northwest salmon
5. Rendezvous
10. Fair
14. Luke Wilson's actor brother
15. Pantheon of Norse gods
16. Exclusively
17. Building wings
18. International fishing area in the North Atlantic near the 'Nose' of the Grand Banks of Newfoundland: 2 wds.
20. Type of food shop
21. Chemin de \_ ('Railroad' in French)
22. \_ Maid (Orange juice brand)
23. Analyzed
25. Like a sailboat
26. Temporarily gave
27. Extract metal from ore
29. Passenger plane pilot's prediction, puny-ly
31. One of Santa's crew
33. Herman Melville story of 1847
37. Gangly
39. Dancer's step
40. Scornfully grin
41. Time for lunch, in Montreal
42. Nova Scotia: Isle \_ (Island off Cape Breton)
44. Miracle \_ (Gardening product)
45. U2 tune: " \_ (In the Name of Love)"
47. " \_ la Douce"



- (1963)
49. Descend the cliff via rope
52. Protective piece of sports equipment
55. Artificial
56. Father
57. Fast food service, with Drive-
58. Durability

60. Red \_ (Wiensers by Canadian brand Schneiders)
61. Trigonometry ratio
62. Specialized calling, as in business
63. Taking care of things: 2 wds.
64. Perfected

65. Crow
66. "Disco Duck" singer Rick

### DOWN

1. Some students
2. Young Bird of Minerva
3. Land of Flat Stones: Baffin Island, to early

- Norse explorers
4. \_ kick, as in football
5. Bridesmaid dress fabric
6. Took the helm again
7. River of Flanders
8. Actor Alastair
9. Hedge tool

10. David \_ Governor General of Canada
11. Rough, as diamonds
12. Writing tablet
13. Used the keyboard to write
19. Earth crust's upper layer
24. Car race, with 500
27. Leafy tree's offering from the beating sun
28. Raised flatland
29. Furniture wood
30. \_ Chi (Martial Art)
32. French fighter plane of WWI
34. Early movie director's speaking prop
35. Not 'neath
36. \_ Medonte (Ontario township)
38. Like salted/smoked herring
40. Very dry
42. \_ about (Aimlessly wandering)
43. Outlook
46. Interpret, \_ into
48. Way
49. Tony La \_ (Legendary baseball manager)
50. Caper
51. Dried plum
52. Buckwheat cereal served warm
53. Mr. Shaw (Famed clarinetist)
54. Does some housework
56. Art \_ (Design style)
59. Zippo

## ★ IT'S ALL IN THE STARS by Sally Brompton

### ♈ Aries March 21 - April 20

Your confidence is sky high and no matter what challenges come your way today you will deal with them with ease. Having said that, you don't have to do it all by yourself, you will have help if you ask for it.

### ♉ Taurus April 21 - May 21

Sometimes you're afraid to act in case you make a fool of yourself but today you will take the kind of risks you usually go out of your way to avoid. Your confidence will pay off.

### ♊ Gemini May 22 - June 21

Go take on the world today but be warned: with many planets moving retrograde the gains you make now could be lost later, so don't get carried away by your own brilliance.

### ♋ Cancer June 22 - July 23

Usually you prefer to steer clear of the limelight but today you love the attention. You rather enjoy it when people recognize you on the street. Be famous — not infamous.

### ♌ Leo July 24 - Aug. 23

You are determined to make something of your talents but don't use up all your energy making money or getting ahead at work. Friendships and love affairs are well starred today.

### ♍ Virgo Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

You want to impress people in power but don't make it seem as if you are looking to take over, even if you are. Ambition is admirable, but if others feel threatened they will hit back.

### ♎ Libra Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

The good times just keep getting better. With your ruler Venus linked to action planet Mars today everything will work out for the best. You are free to do as you please without fear of the consequences.

### ♏ Scorpio Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

You will lose sight of reality and maybe get a bit emotional about things that do not matter. What you are worrying about is most likely an illusion, so snap out of it.

### ♐ Sagittarius Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

Mars in your fellow Fire sign of Leo boosts your energy and helps you get things done. If you are making social or travel plans, make sure to consult loved ones.

### ♑ Capricorn Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

All the hard work you have put in lately will pay off this week. Just be careful that, in the warm glow of success, you don't agree to take on extra duties and responsibilities.

### ♒ Aquarius Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

The planets suggest that you will come out ahead in most things but that does not mean you have to do everything. Choose your tasks carefully. What you don't do may be as important as what you do do.

### ♓ Pisces Feb. 20 - March 20

You want to unburden your feelings. Don't worry that by baring your soul you might give others the impression that you are weak. On the contrary, it shows you possess inner strength.

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